DIOCESAN GOVERNANCE ORDINANCE 2008 AMENDING ORDINANCE (INABILITY TO PAY INCUMBENT) 2023 Ordinance No. 16 of 2023

An Ordinance to make amendments to the Diocesan Governance Ordinance in relation to parishes unable to pay an Incumbent.

PREAMBLE

Whereas the primary legislation for the governance of the Diocese and its parishes is the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008; and

Whereas it is appropriate that amendments are made to provide guidance when parishes are unable to meet costs associated with having an Incumbent;

Therefore, the Bishop-in-Council in pursuance of powers provided in clause 48.2 of the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 hereby decrees and enacts as follows:

AMENDMENTS

- 1. Insert a new sub-clause 75.5 (e) to read "The Bishop has terminated the licence of the Incumbent of the Parish under clause 129.4".
- 2. Insert a new clause 129.4 to read:

"The Bishop may terminate the licence of an Incumbent on one month's notice if the Bishop is satisfied, after consultation with the Incumbent, the Churchwardens and the Parish Council, that the Ministry Unit is not, or will not be in the foreseeable future, in a position to make payment, as they fall due, of all of the Incumbent's expenses or stipend or allowances"

and renumber all subsequent clauses and relevant internal numerical references.

COMMENCEMENT

This Ordinance shall come into effect upon receiving the assent of the Bishop.

SHORT TITLE

This Ordinance may be cited as the Diocesan Governance Inability to Pay Incumbent Amending Ordinance 2023.

ASSENT

We hereby certify that this Ordinance was passed by Bishop-in-Council on the Thirtieth day of November 2023 and that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as passed.

Chair of Committees

Registrar

I assent to this Ordinance.

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